

REMARKS

With the above amendments, claims 21-28 have been added. Claims 1-28 are pending and ready for further action on the merits. No new matter has been added by way of the above amendments. New claims 21-25 have support at page 3, lines 19-23.

The new claims have been added in order to submit additional claims which clearly do not encompass sleep disorders caused by drinking caffeine. This issue was raised by the Examiner in the personal interview conducted on March 19, 2003. In addition, it should be noted that previously submitted claims 8 and 9 are directed to methods of treating sleep disorders caused by changes in body rhythm.

With the above remarks and amendments, it is believed that the claims, as they now stand, define patentable subject matter such that a passage of the instant invention to allowance is warranted. A Notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

If any questions remain regarding the above matters, please contact Applicant's representative, T. Benjamin Schroeder (Reg. No. 50,990), in the Washington metropolitan area at the phone number listed below.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees

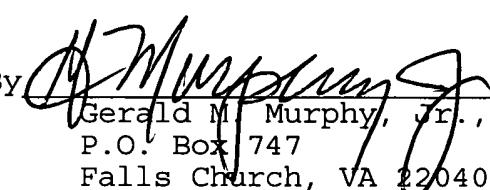
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required under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 or 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

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IN THE CLAIMS:

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